

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
February 24, 2009
6:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Fred Bryan, Bob Cleveland, Steve Frye, Fred Hessenauer
Absent: Glenn Allen, Pat Longen & Sali Cosford Parker

Guests Present: Tom Lowry, Glenn Diehl, Bill Reilly, Pete Lau, Bill Romanelli, Jerry Poe, Everett Butcher, Jr.,

After the Pledge of Allegiance, President Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Due to a technical difficulty, the tape recorder did not tape this meeting.

STATE STREET WATERLINE REPLACEMENT BID OPENING

The Secretary opened the sealed bids and Tom Lowry read aloud the bid amounts.

1. Anrich, Inc.	\$ 681,160.00
2. B & J Excavating	\$ 1,111,945.00
3. DiRocco Bros	\$ 996,430.00
4. Empire Services of Reading	\$ 1,469,108.47
5. JJID, Inc.	\$ 1,215,088.00
6. N. Abbonizio Construction	\$ 772,125.00
7. Pact Construction	\$ 864,145.00
8. Technivate, Inc.	\$ 1,062,417.31
9. Wexcon, Inc.	\$ 952,195.00

Steve Frye made a motion to authorize the Borough's Engineer to review the bids and make a recommendation to Council, 2nd by Fred Hessenauer, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Everett Butcher, Jr. asked if the Borough's ordinance's could be placed on the Borough's website. President Bryan said the Borough is working on this issue, but it will take some time since we are working on updating the Borough's Ordinances.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Glenn Diehl gave the following report:

WATER AND SEWER REGULATIONS

The Water and Sewer Regulations will be ready to adopt at next month's meeting.

PYLE PROPERTY

The deed is recorded with no subdivision plan and the taxes on the property are being sorted out.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Tom Lowry gave the following report:

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

The total cost of the Comprehensive Plan update is \$43,200.00. The Vision Partnership Grant, upon approval from the application, will pay \$32,400.00 or 75% of the cost. The Borough's responsibility is \$10,800.00 payable over a two (2) year period. After some discussion, Council decided to table this matter until the next meeting.

PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Steve Frye gave the following report:

PARTITION IN BOROUGH OFFICE

The partition is about 99% done. Steve Frye made a motion to spend up to \$100.00 for shelving, 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

NEW ROOF FOR WWTP

Will purchase the material in the next two weeks. The roof will be replaced as soon as I & I work is completed at the plant.

BOROUGH DOCUMENTS – STORAGE AREA

The Committee is waiting to hear from the Historical Commission on their ideas for a storage area.

USE OF BOROUGH OFFICE – DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE – 2nd TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

Due to illnesses, the Committee did not meet to discuss. This issue was tabled until next month's meeting.

HOUSING COMMITTEE

Steve Frye gave the following report:

INSPECTION CHECKLIST RESOLUTION # 2009-03

Steve Frye made a motion to adopt Resolution #2009-03, 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

RENTAL OCCUPANCY REVIEW BOARD RESOLUTION #2009-04

Steve Frye made a motion to adopt Resolution #2009-04, 2nd by Fred Hessenauer, motion carried.

Steve Frye made a motion to appoint Jim Duffy for a three year term, Billie Jean Massey for a two year term, and Bob Cleveland for a one year term, 2nd by Fred Hessenauer, Bob Cleveland-abstained, Fred Bryan-yea, motion carried. Mr. Cleveland abstained because he is serving on the Board and will submit a letter to the Secretary for this abstention.

Steve Frye made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m., 2nd by Fred Hessenauer, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary